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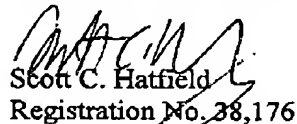
This response is submitted in reply to the Official Action dated January 11, 2004 ("the Action"). In the Action, the Examiner has required an election from the following species:

- Species I. Claims 32-44, differentiated by at least the seed layer characteristics;
- Species II. Claims 45-57 and 94, differentiated by at least the conductive shunt layer characteristics;
- Species III. Claims 58-69 and 95, differentiated by at least the primary conductive trace characteristics; and
- Species IV. Claims 82-87 and 96, differentiated by at least the electric coupling characteristics.

The Applicants hereby provisionally elect, without traverse, the claims of Species II, including Claims 45-57 and 94 (and new Claim 97).

The Applicants respectfully submit that this application is now in condition for substantive examination, which action is requested. If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, the Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Respectfully submitted,

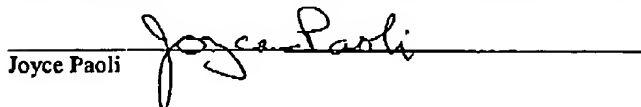

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